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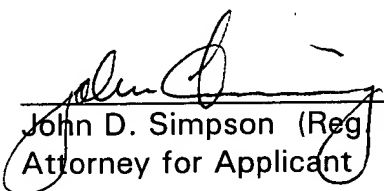
Re: Proposed Patent Application for KOJI MORIGUCHI, MITSU HARU YONEMURA, KAZUHITO KAMEI, MASARU ABE, HIDEYA KAMINAKA, NORIYUKI NEGI, ATSUO OMARU, and MASAYUKI NAGAMINE, entitled GRAPHITE POWDERS SUITED FOR NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL OF LITHIUM ION SECONDARY BATTERY, Attorney Docket No. P99,0653

S I R:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.41 (c), I am filing the attached application with 9 claims, 10 sheets of formal drawings and filing fee on behalf of KOJI MORIGUCHI, MITSU HARU YONEMURA, KAZUHITO KAMEI, MASARU ABE, HIDEYA KAMINAKA, NORIYUKI NEGI, ATSUO OMARU, and MASAYUKI NAGAMINE, and request that the application papers be assigned a serial number and filing date.

I request that the application be assigned a Serial No. and Filing Date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d).

Respectfully submitted,


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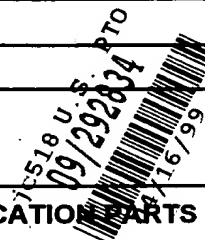
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 75]
2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) [Total Pages 10]
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney [Total Pages 3]
 - a. ☐ Newly executed declaration (original copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)
 - i. ☐ **[Note Box 4 Below]**
DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting
Inventor(s) named in the prior application,
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a
copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b,
is considered as being part of the disclosure of the
accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
6. ☒ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior application,
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
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12. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Japanese
Application No. P10-111001 filed April 21, 1998
13. ☐ Other:

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